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Applicant:	GOLDSTEIN ET AL.	Examiner:	S. AN
Serial No.:	09/785,791	Group Art Unit:	2613
Filed:	FEBRUARY 16, 2001	Docket No.:	12808.12US11
Title:	OPTICAL DEVICE		

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Dear Sir:

1. Applicants hereby petition to withdraw the Notice of Abandonment dated March 24, 2004 for failing to respond to an Office Action dated July 30, 2003. A Notice of Appeal had been timely filed.

2. Applicants received a Notice of Abandonment dated March 24, 2004. The Notice of Abandonment stated that the Application had gone abandoned for failure to file a reply to the Office Action of July 30, 2003.

4. Applicants assert that a Notice of Appeal was timely filed on October 22, 2003 via first class mail.

5. Applicants enclose a copy of the Notice of Appeal along with the transmittal sheets, a copy of the check for the Notice of Appeal, as well as the return postcard. Applicants note that the transmittal sheet includes a Certificate of Mailing with a date of October 22, 2003.

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6. Applicants assert that the Application should not have gone abandoned and that the Notice of Abandonment was issued erroneously and through no fault of Applicants and/or Applicants' Representative. Applicants assert that the Notice of Abandonment should not have been issued as a response was timely filed.

7. Any delay in filing this Petition has been unintentional.

8. A check in the amount of \$130 for the Petition as required under 35 U.S.C. § 1.17(h) is enclosed.


A speedy and favorable Decision on the Petition is hereby solicited. If a telephone conference would be helpful in this matter, please contact Applicants' Representative at (612) 336-4728.

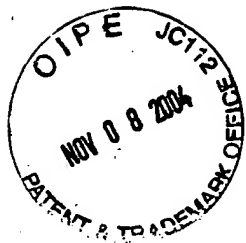
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In re Application of: GOLDSTEIN ET AL.

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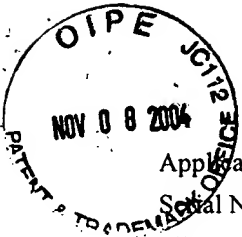
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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER**  
**TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.191, Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the final rejection of claims 1-40 of the above-identified application, as set forth in the Office Action mailed July 30, 2003.

Our check in the amount of \$165.00 is enclosed to cover the required fee for filing this Notice of Appeal as set forth under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b).

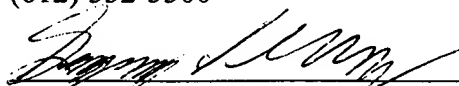
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